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Thanks!

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I believe it's both sites.

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On Mar 28, 2019, at 6:35 PM, Hoverman, Taylor <hoverman.taylor@epa.gov> wrote:

Sorry – one more request for clarification: Is Administrator Wheeler the first Administrator to visit the Butte site in almost 20 years? And the first Administrator visit the Anaconda site in almost 20 years? Or is the visits to *both* sites that makes the statement accurate? Does that question even make sense?

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Also – does anyone know the dates the Administrator visited the Butte and Anaconda sites?

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Ken

We have one more....

- For Superfund remedial unfunded construction projects, AW asked that we highlight that OECA is going after PRPs and PRPs are stepping up – do you have a talking point or two on this effort?

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Taylor and Jim:

Please see below in yellow highlight the answers to the three bullets assigned to OSRE.

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Can OSRE help on last 3 Qs?

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Begin forwarded message:

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Dana,

I just left you a VM – we just had our budget hearing prep with the Administrator, and some questions came up that I don't have the answers to. Any help you can provide is greatly appreciated!

- Please send a few bullet points on the resiliency of the Superfund sites during the NC hurricanes

[OLEM answering]

- Anaconda Copper Mine – is there an agreement with ARCO yet? Bullet point says EPA expects that ARCO will conduct and fund critically important site investigation and cleanup.

The agreement deferring the site (except the portion on Tribal lands) to the State, and the work agreement between the State of Nevada and ARCO to clean up the deferred portion, were signed simultaneously in 2018, and work is underway.

- Anaconda Smelter – Is this correct?: *It would be better to say: "Administrator Wheeler was the first Administrator to visit both Superfund sites in Montana in almost 20 years."*

- Passaic – Does the "Cooperating Parties Group" includes all of the PRPs? Is International Paper a PRP here?

The Cooperating Parties Group is only a subset of the Diamond Alkali/Passaic River PRPs. International Paper has not been issued a notice letter.

Will be sending more shortly. I'd appreciate any help getting these answers back up to the AO ASAP. Thank you!!!

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